

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 302
By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Bill and Randy
Cunningham and the State Farm Insurance
Company of Fayetteville for their outstanding
contributions to Lincoln County.

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that this General Assembly should honor those businesses
who through their abiding commitment to excellence, are a credit to this state; and

WHEREAS, for nearly 68 years, the Cunningham name has been the only name
associated with State Farm Insurance in Lincoln County; and

WHEREAS, in 1929, P. Lon Cunningham started the State Farm Insurance Company in
Fayetteville, Lincoln County, which has been a success for three generations; and

WHEREAS, P. Lon Cunningham's son, Joe, began his exemplary career in the family
business in 1952; and

WHEREAS, Joe Cunningham's two sons, Randy and Bill, now run the business with the
same astuteness as their father and grandfather; and

WHEREAS, in 1969, Randy Cunningham started his meritorious career in the insurance
business, thus beginning the third generation of Cunninghams in the insurance business; and

WHEREAS, Randy received his bachelor of science degree from Middle Tennessee
State University; and

WHEREAS, Randy Cunningham proudly served his nation as a First Lieutenant in the
United States Army; and

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WHEREAS, Randy Cunningham is an active member of several civic organizations, including the Kiwanis Club and past president of the Jaycees, where he was named "Outstanding Jaycee"; and

WHEREAS, he was also the past president of the Lincoln County Fair Association; and

WHEREAS, Randy Cunningham served with acumen for eight years with the Local Planning Commission and served for five years as its chairman; and

WHEREAS, Randy Cunningham is an active and devout member of the Methodist Church, where he serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Randy Cunningham is most appreciative of the love he shares with his wife, Margaret, and his two children, Doug and Cindy; and

WHEREAS, Bill Cunningham is also a third generation insurance agent, beginning his exemplary career in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Bill Cunningham attended Middle Tennessee State University and received his bachelor of science degree; and

WHEREAS, Bill is an active member of several community organizations, such as serving as a past vice president of the Kiwanis Club as well as past secretary of the Lincoln County Fair Association; and

WHEREAS, Bill Cunningham is the husband of Sharon Cunningham and the proud father of two sons, Joey and Evan; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly pause in its hectic schedule to pay tribute to this distinguished family; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and recognize Randy and Bill Cunningham and the State Farm Insurance Agency of Fayetteville for their outstanding contributions to Lincoln County and to Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copies.